MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR (*Director of Agriculture and Fisheries*):

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

Cocoanut delegation.

173. *MR. G. VELU PILLAI (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total amount spent in connection with the Government delegation headed by Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai, that waited on the Government of India about the Ceylon *Copra* and the cocoanut problem :

(*b*) the result of the said delegation ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) The total amount spent in connection with the Cocoanut Delegation is Rs. 3,676-1-9.

(*b*) The matter is under the consideration of the Government of India.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI : May I know whether any report has been submitted to Government by Dr. Kunjan Pillai ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Yes, Sir.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI : May I know whether that report has been published by Government ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : No, Sir.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI : May I know why ?

PRESIDENT : The whole question is still under discussion with the Government of India. The interim report cannot be published.

Receipt and expenditure in the Taluk offices.

174. *MR. D. FRANCIS (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the total amount of money received and issued from the Sub-Treasuries of Agastisvaram, Thiruvalla and Shertala from the year 1100 to 1113 ?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) :

The time and labour involved in collecting the information is out of proportion to its utility.

MR. D. FRANCIS : இந்த மாதிரி சமாசாரங்கள் publicக்கு தெரிய வேண்டாமா? இப்படி பதில் சொல்லிவிட்டால் எங்களுக்கு எப்படித் தெரியும்?

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO: It will be very difficult to collect the information.

MR. D. FRANCIS கூடுதல் ஆள்களை வைத்து வேலை கடத்தலாமா.

MR. M. RAMACHANDRA RAO : The question of additional hands does not arise.

Conditions of certain political convicts.

175. *MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Tovala* cum *Agastisvaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the conditions of the following political convicts in Central Jail, with regard to the weight of the body when admitted in the Central Prison and the weight of the body at present :

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[Mr. K. Narayanaperumal Nadar.]

(i) S. Sivan Pillai B. A., B. L., Advocate, Nagercoil,
(ii) Dr. Sivam, Nagercoil,
(iii) A. Sankara Pillai B. A., B. L., High Court Vakil, Nagercoil,
(iv) Muthukaruppa Pillai, Nagercoil,
(v) Govinda Pillai, Suchindram, and
(vi) Annie Mascarene M. A., B. L.

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The statement is laid on the table.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : Sir, I find from appendix VII that some of the political convicts are reduced in weight. May I know whether there is any special reason for the loss of 15 lbs. in the case of Mr. A. Sankara Pillai B. A., B. L., High Court Vakil?

MR. M K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Perhaps it may be due to the disappointment or mental worries. There is no other reason for the loss of weight.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : May I know from government whether he is suffering from any disease?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : No, Sir.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : May I know whether the Chief Secretary concedes that the prison test of health is bodily weight?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : That is not the sole criteria.

MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI : May I know whether there is any facility for convicts for increasing in weight?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Those who have increased in weight may be men of poor means who had been starving when they were out of jail They are now getting good meals: quite naturally increase in weight.

MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR : Have they no other means of getting a better meal?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Manifestly not.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR : May I know from the member about the present health of one Kunjan Nadar?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : He is not one of those mentioned in the question.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI : In view of the fact that there is increase of weight consequent on consumption of food, will the Government be pleased to release such men from the jail?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : No, Sir.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR : May I know the reason for the loss of weight in regard to Annie Mascarene?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Perhaps she might have lost her superfluous flesh.

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Appendix VII.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 175.**

Statement showing the conditions of certain political convicts.

Name of Prisoner.	*Weight on admission.* Lbs.	*Present weight.* Lbs.
1. S. Sivan Pillay	112	109
2. Dr. Sivam	112	111
3. A. Sankara Pillay	151	136
4. Muthukaruppa Pillay	153	155
5. Govinda Pillay	155	165
6. Anne Mascarene	129	125

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